

Things to Know

The number of individuals that can be on a tour is limited. We allow a maximum of 100 students on every school tour. If your group is larger than 100 students please call (912) 634-7093 for more information. Additionally, due to the small number of people that can safely climb the Lighthouse and fit inside the St. Simons Lighthouse Museum, we ask that teachers think about how to divide their students into groups of 15-20 individuals plus their chaperones.

We require that at least two chaperones accompany each group as they climb the Lighthouse tower. If there are chaperones in a group that either cannot or do not want to make the climb, other chaperones must accompany that group up the tower.

The Lighthouse tower observation deck will be closed during inclement weather. We always allow our visitors to climb the tower and look out the windows at the landings along the steps, but the outdoor portion of the Lighthouse will be closed when it rains for the safety of our visitors. The Museum remains open.

Lighthouse and Museum Rules

- Food, drink, and chewing gum are not allowed inside the building.
- Photography is not permitted within the museum galleries, but you may take as many pictures as you wish outside of the museum and on top of the Lighthouse.
- Large backpacks and bags are not permitted inside the museum and must either be left on the bus or on the front porch of the Keeper's Dwelling.
- Please silence your cell phones.

Please let us know as soon as possible if you are going to be arriving late. As a courtesy to our volunteer docents, we ask that you contact us if you are running late at (912) 638-4666. Arrival more than 30 minutes late will automatically cancel your reservation.

Parking

Bus parking is available in the parking lot adjacent to the building. If you are traveling in cars, parking is available on either side of the A.W. Jones Heritage Center.

Check-in

All school groups must check in at the Museum Store to receive instructions. This is also your opportunity to complete tour payment if you have not already done so.

Restroom Availability

There are a limited number of restrooms available at the A.W. Jones Heritage Center and no restrooms in the Lighthouse Museum. We ask that you keep this in mind when planning how much time you will need before and after a tour.

Lunch/Food

The Lighthouse Museum does not offer any food or beverage options. However, there are several restaurants in the Village area that cater to tour groups. Additionally, there are a large amount of picnic benches in nearby Neptune Park.

Museum Store

Student groups are not allowed in the Museum Store without adult supervision. If your students would like to shop in the Store, please be sure to break them into groups of no more than ten at a time.